

CTA Climate Change Map User's Guide



CREE GEOPORTAL

The entry point to all CTA applications is the Cree GeoPortal (<u>www.creegeoportal.ca</u>)



To access the **Climate Change Map**, click one **Climate Change** banner in the **Featured Applications** section of the Geoportal home page.



Climate Change Monitoring Page

Launch the Climate Change application by clicking on the **Climate Change Map** link.

Climate Change Monitoring

If you have observations that you wish to note and share you can submit them here. These observations will be regularly posted on the map.

Climate Change Map



Background

The Cree Trappers Association (CTA), the James Bay Advisory Committee on the Environment (JBACE) and the Cree Regional Authority (CRA) received funding beginning in 2009 from Indian and Northern Affairs Canada to carry out a project for the "Identification of Climate Change Impacts and Adaptation Measures for the Hunters, Trappers and Communities of Eeyou Istchee".

The main purposes of this project are to:

- improve the understanding of the environmental implications of climate change in James Bay (Eeyou Istchee), drawing both on local (Cree) and Western science perspectives;
- improve the understanding of the human implications of climate change for Eeyou Istchee, with a specific focus on the impacts on hunters, trappers and other community members;
- identify the vulnerabilities of Eeyou Istchee to climate change, as well as the possible avenues for mitigation of, and adaptation to its impacts;
- . enhance awareness among Cree of the implications of climate change in their territory; and
- · encourage Cree participation in mitigation and adaptation measures.

The purpose of this internet based application is for the reporting and sharing of regional and community specific climate change observations. The types of observations that we would like to obtain are divided into five main themes:

1)Land; 2) Water; 3) Weather; 4) Wildlife; and, 5) Community Infrastructure.

Resources

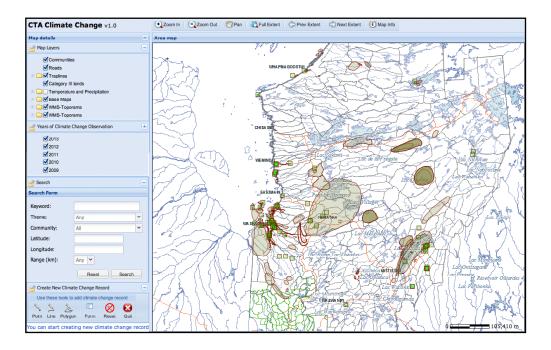
What the Cree Have to Say About Climate Change (Cree)
What the Cree Have to Say About Climate Change (English)
Climate Change Project in Mistissini
Climate Change Project in Waskaganish

Climate Change Project in Whapmagoostui

Climate Change in Eeyou Istchee Final Report



Climate Change Map User Interface and Database



The map interface features the following:

- Map Layers
- Years of Climate Change Observation
- Search Form
- Create a New Climate Change Record

The top bar of the map features a set of map navigation tools:

- Enlarges the map, focuses on a specific area. Click on the icon to activate the tool, drag the pointer over the area you wish to enlarge.
- Click the icon then drag your pointer over the map area you wish to reduce.
- Pan By default, the Pan tool is active. The pan tool becomes active again once you have completed your operation. To pan move your pointer over the map, click and drag the map in any direction.
- Click this icon to return the map to its initial view.
- Prev Extent Click this icon to return to the previous map view.
- Next Extent Click this icon to cycle to the other map views you established.

The Climate Change Database

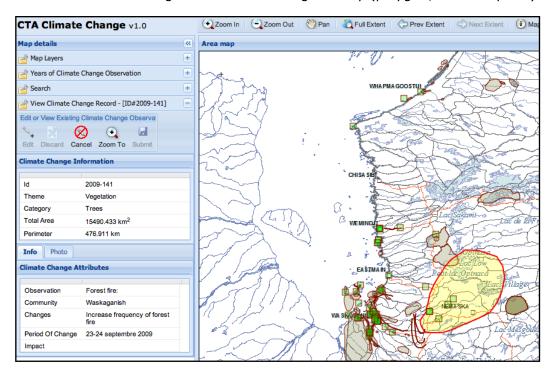
Some information stored in the **climate change database** is displayed as **geometric shapes on the map**. These shapes can be polygons, line or squares.

Squares can designate observations that are not necessarily about fixed or permanent locations.

Non-spatial information is also stored in the database and is accessed using the **Search Form** (see below).

Viewing a Spatial Record

To view a climate change record click on a geometry (polygon, line or square).

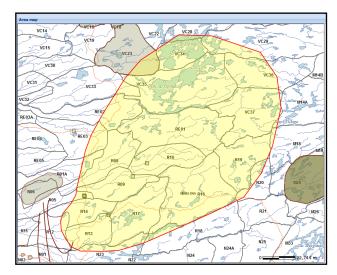


The record attached to the polygon you select is displayed in the left hand panel under **the View Climate Change Record** tab. The record displays:

- Basic record information
 - o record Id
 - o Theme
 - Category
 - Total Area (of the geometry)
 - Perimeter (of the geometry)
- Observation Information
 - Type of Observation
 - Community
 - Changes
 - Period of Change
 - o Impact
- Photos



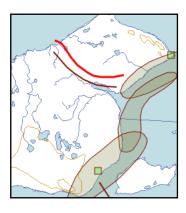
Enlarge the selected area by clicking the **Zoom To** button.

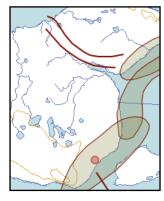


The map will enlarge the selected area for detailed inspection.



Click **Cancel** to close the record and **reset the interface**.





The images on the left illustrate how trail geometries and other records will appear on the map when selected.

Searching for a Record

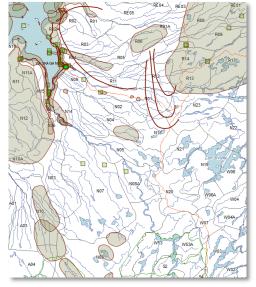
Click on the **Search** tab to open the **Search Form**.

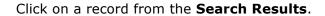


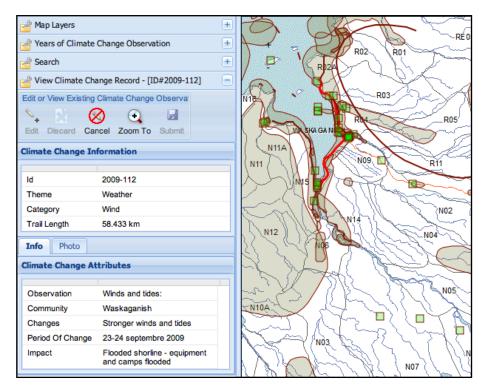
- 1. Enter a keyword
- 2. Choose a theme
- 3. Choose a community
- 4. Enter geographic coordinates
- 5. Enter the range covered by the coordinates.
- 6. Click Reset to clear the search fields.
- 7. Click Search when you are done entering information into the fields.



The map will display the extent of the search results.







The climate change record will be displayed and the geometry on the map will be highlighted:

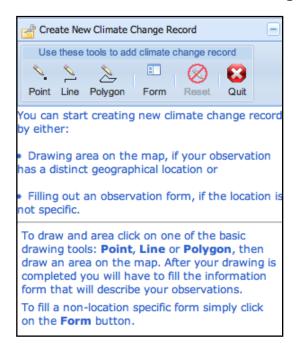
- red for a trail line
- yellow for a polygon
- a circle for other information



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Create a New Climate Change Record

Click on the Create New Climate Change Record tab.



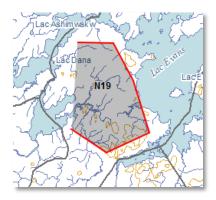
To create a new climate change record:

1. Choose a tool from the interface and draw a line, point or polygon on the map at the location of your observation;

or

2. Fill in the Form

Drawing on the Map



Polygon - click once and move the mouse pointer to the next point location, and click again. Double click to complete the polygon.

Point - click once on the location on the map.

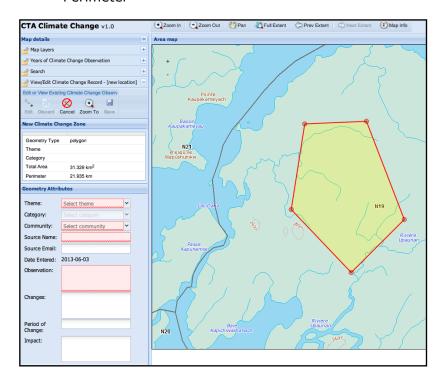
Line – click once and mover the mouse pointer to the next point location, and click again. Double click to complete the line.

Completing a Climage Change Record

When the drawing is complete, the map will zoom to the extent of the geometry.

Information about the geometry is displayed in the **New Climate Change Zone**, which includes:

- Geometry type
- Total Area
- Perimeter



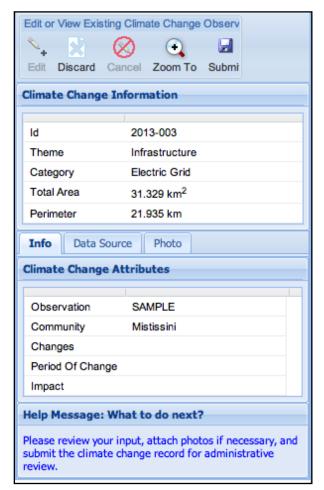
Geometry Attributes

Fill in the following detailed information about the record:

- Theme (mandatory)
 - Infrastructure
 - Land
 - Water
 - Weather
 - Wildlife
- Category
 - Electric Grid
 - Sewage System
- Source Name (the name of the person reporting the observation)
- · Source E-mail
- Date Entered (filled in automatically)
- Observation (mandatory) what change did you observer
- Changes
- Period of Change how long has this change taken, or how long it has it been noticed.
- Impact what effects the change is having



Click **Save** to record the information entered in the form fields.



The information entered into the form fields is displayed in the record panel.

Upload a Photograph

Click on the **Photo** tab, select an image from your computer and click **Save.**



Click **Discard** to delete the record.

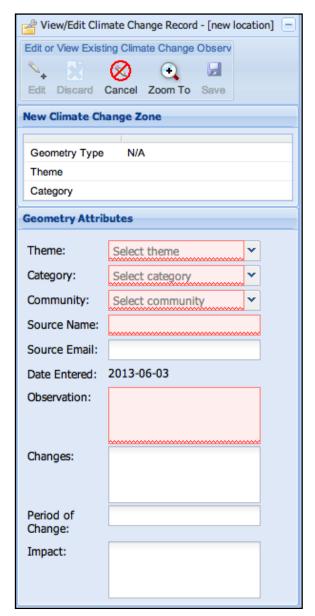
Click **Submit** to add the record to the database.

This new record will be examined by the proper authorities before it is displayed for public viewing.

Filling in the Form



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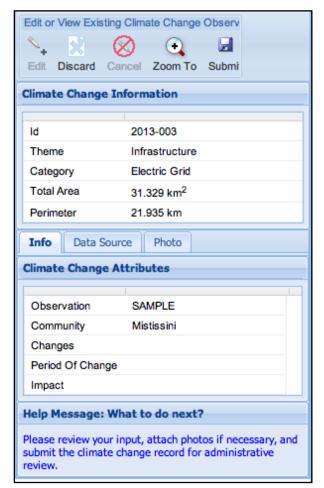


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